[Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi.]

for an enhancement of salaries of teachers and increment to the grant in aid, is compelled to bear the wooden cross of Government's negation more or less in disguised form. That is inherent in the constitution of the Legislature, I am not expected to speak anything about it because the dual, multiple personality of the members on the Treasury Bench has to be very sympathetically considered before we go through the statement on a particular matter. With these words I appeal to my honourable friend to withdraw his resolution.

Mr. T. K. Kitten: ഈ പ്രമേയം പിൻവലിക്കണമെന്നു ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഒരു മെമ്പർ ശുപാർശചെയ്യുന്നു. ഞാൻ അതു പിൻവലിക്കുന്നതെന്നാണ് അഭിപ്രായപ്പെടുന്നത്.

Mr. K. M. Kesavan: Sir, I am very thankful to the honourable members who spoke on behalf of the Government. The Financial Secretary reiterated the words contained in the statement of the Dewan President and assures the House that if the provision for the grant of dearness allowance is found insufficient, steps will be taken to augment it. I am thankful for that assurance.

As for the case of the Aided School teachers, I am very much indebted to the statement made by the Director. He informed the honourable House that there are as many as 1500 grant-in-aid school teachers who absolutely get nothing. I thought that there were only a few of that type. But I never thought that their number would swell to such an extent. If that is a fact, I would request Government to allot more money for grant-in-aid purposes and that unless Government view this resolution with sympathy, nothing tangible could be scored on behalf of the poor Aided school teachers who are already ill-paid. Since the Government assure the House that necessary steps will be taken for the amelioration of the distress of this kind, I beg the permission of the House to withdraw my resolution.

The resolution was by leave withdrawn.

RESOLUTION RE: CERTIFICATE BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE REGARDING MOTOR JOURNEY.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: Sir, I move the following resolution:

"This Council recommends to Government that in view of the difficulty of private car owners to secure petrol, the rule that the Council members should certify that they use cars in connection with their journey for Council sessions be cancelled.

It is with a certain amount of diffidence that I introduce this resolution. Honourable members, for example my honourable

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friend Mr. Tampi, may think that I am very pharisaic in regard to this certification. I have often felt great difficulty in preparing T. A. bills. Now the system is that if you start from Alwaye or Kottayam, we say that we started from such and such a place, reached Kottarakara at such an hour, and then we say we got into the train at such and such a station and came to Trivandrum. In the end we certify that we used a car thereby saying that all that we wrote is untrue. Now is there any justification for this? It is practically impossible to travel in cars. Some of us do not get petrol to travel cars. I know that there are friends who have advised me not to be very scrupulous in those matters. If you travel in a bus, they say there is no harm in putting it down as "in a car." The difficulties of managers of schools were referred to just now. The Director of Public Instruction himself, was stating that managers are keeping double accounts. Certain teachers signed for amounts they do not really get. Are we in any way better? Should we be put in circumstances where we are obliged to succumb to temptations for pecuniary benefit. It is due to all progressive Governments that no temptation is allowed to be placed before either Government servants or the public to lead them to make untrue statements. What I really want to say is that we will simply make a statement that we travelled from Alwaye to Trivandrum. We cannot be here without travelling. Let Government give us Chs. 11 a mile and 1½ first class. Let us be given the allowance calculated at that rate. If necessary a percentage may be deducted for some social work. At least some of us will be willing for that deduction.

Mr. T. Krishna Pillai: I second the resolution.

Mr. A. Lekshminarayana Aiyar: The only certificate that is required is as regards places connected by railway. The certificate only requires that, when the member did not actually travel by train, the conveyance used should be specified. If the honourable member says that he travelled by bus also he will be entitled to travelling allowance according to the special rules for non-official members. But the certificate is required only between Kottarakara and Trivandrum.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: Sir, I have objection to the Certificate itself. If you consider us as honest and respectable people why should you ask us to give a certificate?

Mr. A. Lekshminarayana Aiyar: This certificate is required according to the rule. The question will however be further considered.

Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla: I am told that this rule is found in British India also. This rule is necessary in the case of Government servants who go to various places along the route. We start

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from our place and come to the Council. That is all. I would therefore submit that instead of putting us to all this trouble our statement must be accepted if the Government think so. In fact without bringing a resolution this could be done by executive authority. I represented the matter to the Dewan just before he was leaving. But he was leaving and therefore he could not take action. By a pure executive act the Government could say that the members need only make a statement of the actual journey. The Council members are allowed certain rates. If you want to give less it is alright. If you want to give more it is alright. Put us in an atmosphere where we are not obliged to make statements which are untrue.

President: The points raised by the honourable member will be considered by Government

The resolution was, by leave, withdrawn.

DISTRIBUTION OF GAMES FEES.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyár: My resolution runs as follows.

"This Council recommends to the Government that games fees collected by the various departmental English Schools in the State be treated as revenue like the fee income and distributed according to the needs of the various schools."

Games fees are collected from all the Government English schools. But there are several schools in which there is not sufficient scope for games. I wish to say every school should be benefited by games. Since sending the resolution I saw the Director and discussed with him the merits of the resolution personally. The Director of Public Instruction has assured me that the amounts collected will be properly spent. In view of that assurance I do not wish to move the resolution.

The resolution was not moved.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION IN AGRICULTURE AND GARDENING.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: Sir, I beg to move the following resolution:

"This Council recommends to Government that vegetable and fruit gardening and agriculture be made compulsory subjects for teaching for all boys in all the schools in the State from the beginning of the next academic year and that the students be given practical training in such subjects."

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: I second it.

Mr. A. Gopala Menon: Sir, it needs no recommendation for me to accept the principle of this resolution. Government have already accepted this principle on the application made by the

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